GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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PORTER SERVICE
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether porter services are available at all the stations;

(b) if so, the total number of porters, zone-wise;

(c) whether any steps have been taken to increase the number of porters in Western Railways; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) & (b): Licensed porters are available on all the important stations on Indian Railways. Number of licensed porters working zone-wise are Central- 2500, Eastern - 5397, East Central - 3956, East Coast - 1457, Northern - 6726, North Central - 1833, North Eastern - 1274, Northeast Frontier - 2688, North Western - 999, Southern - 2431, South Central - 2458, South Eastern - 1123, South East Central - 963, South Western - 550, Western - 2431 and West Central - 894.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): Does not arise.